

Annex A

Increase of Chapter IX Maintenance Through
Reduction of New Production

The Subcommittee continued to feel that Chapter IX maintenance work should not be increased at the expense of production on NIS Areas not yet covered. Solution to the maintenance problem should be sought through other means. The basis for this view is as follows:

a. The Chapter IX is bibliographic as well as evaluative, and thus more than any other chapter except perhaps Chapter I is fundamental to the fulfillment of basic intelligence needs on the NIS Area covered.

b. Material in the Chapter IX may directly influence the effective reader use of other chapters of the NIS.

c. In general, it is not possible to identify NIS Areas in which the degree of U.S. security interests may not change abruptly and substantially upward. The availability to planning staffs of Chapter IX coverage for such Areas is of established importance.

d. The number of NIS Areas for which Chapter IX maintenance would be required at the end of FY 1963 scheduling is so large (94) that even the elimination of further new production would reduce the maintenance cycle to but 11.8 years. This is not felt to provide an adequate solution to the problem.

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